

## **Faculty Handbook Revision Committee**

August 26, 2014

### **Notes**

Members present were: David Goodwin, Roberto Canales, Chris Herr, Dick Williams, Alicia Williams, Jamaine Abidogun and Chris Craig.

The Faculty Handbook Revision Committee meeting began at 1:31 p.m. on Tuesday, August 26, 2014. Members of the committee were discussed. It was stated that the committee wouldn't need to meet as often as it had for the seven year review. The new Faculty Handbook and email was given to members and discussed. It was stated that there have been incidences where faculty made the case to live in a different state since they were teaching online. Members were reminded that there was an expectation for people to be a "citizen" in the department and on campus. The committee was informed that Frank Einhellig wanted this to be discussed and the language modified to address this idea.

It was also stated that there had been questions regarding Chapter 13 regarding the ARPC. Some suggested that a change may be needed. If the ARPC is involved early in an informal way and then tapped later there would then be a conflict of interest. This issue would also need to be discussed by the committee this year.

The committee was informed the main purpose of that day was to appoint a committee chair and to decide on a meeting date. After discussion, David Goodwin was nominated and a vote confirmed him as chair of the committee.

It was questioned what the time frame of the handbook was and if it included summer contracts. It is effective August 11, 2014 and would include summer contracts. It was stated that changes are effective as soon as the board approves the changes and governs what we do in the university. There was also discussion about research and workload.

It was decided that the third Tuesday of each month would be the regular meeting time for the committee with the next meeting being held on September 16 from 1:30 to 2:30. Equated hours were discussed and the inconsistency across campus. It was mentioned that the first issue to address should be the email located in each handbook binder concerning faculty citizenship.

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.